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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) |
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| Shinichi ITO et al. |) Group Art Unit: 2823 |
| Application No.: 09/842,403 |) Examiner: M. Estrada |
| Filed: April 26, 2001 |) |
| For: FILM FORMATION METHOD, SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMEN AND METHOD THEREOF, AN METHOD OF MANUFACTUR A DISK-SHAPED STORAGE MEDIUM | T) ID) |

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of December 4, 2002. A fee of \$410.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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